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<i>Application Number</i>	09/849,254
<i>Filing Date</i>	May 7, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Eizo Kato
<i>Art Unit</i>	3713
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Robert J. Mendoza
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	18920.0018

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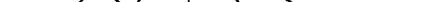
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Eizo KATO

Application No.: 09/849,254

Examiner: Robert Mendoza

Filed: May 7, 2001

Art Unit: 3713

Title: GAME DEVICE AND GAME SYSTEM

Amendment and Response
Under 37 C.F.R 1.111

Amendment RCE
Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313

Sir:

Applicant herein responds to the Advisory Action mailed May 14, 2004, for the above-captioned application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

Please amend the Application as set forth in the Amendments below.